

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in this application, prior to entry of this amendment. As this application is the subject of a restriction requirement, the claims of Group II are elected for prosecution. The claims of Group I (claims 19-22) have been withdrawn from further prosecution in this application.

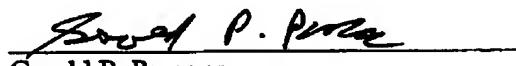
Claims 1-18 are now pending in this application, as a result of this amendment.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks contained herein, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance and an indication of their allowance is requested. However, if the Examiner is aware of any additional matters that should be discussed, a call to the undersigned attorney at: (415) 318-1163 would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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